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Dear Mr Snow,

This letter is in response to the revised CALFED Plan. I am opposed to the plan to increase surface water storage in the Central Valley by raising current dams & by building new reservoirs offstream. Raising Shasta Dam would flood parts of the upper Sacramento & McCloud rivers. The proposed reservoir would require massive damaging water diversions from the Sacramento River.

Because I work in agriculture extensively, this affects me and my clients and their customers directly. I am also a horticulture major and very solidly understand the concepts and practices of water efficiency, conservation, and reclamation. These are viable, sound alternatives to building new dams and canals. Education on all levels is needed for people to take this seriously.

I am in support of CALFED's ⁰⁴⁰¹⁽²⁾ proposed restoration goals for the Central Valley:

- removing Englebright dam
- removing facilities that are barriers to salmon migrations.
- acquiring critical riparian habitats

Stop building dams and diversions -
start intelligent water conservation
and wildlife restoration.

Thank you. I look forward to
learning about your position on
this issue, and how it affects
the future of California.

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